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**SUBJECT: DUAL & TRIPLE ENTITLEMENT DATA RECEIVED FROM WTPY, BENDEX,  
OR SOLQ.**

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**CROSS REFERENCE:** BWI Operations Memo 99-39

**PURPOSE**

This memo gives further information on the dual and triple entitlement data received from the Social Security Administration and how it should be used. The subject of dual and triple entitlement was previously explained in Operations Memo 99-39. Please review that memo to better understand the following information.

**BACKGROUND**

Dual and triple entitlement information is received from SSA through a WTPY response or a BENDEX match. In the future, this data will also be received through the SOLQ query. Following receipt of this information from SSA, **review** both the Payment Status code and BIC code shown on screen DXSA to determine the exact amount of Social Security benefits being received by an individual.

First, please note the BIC code. This is the code which immediately follows the SSN in the SSA CLAIM NUM field. BIC codes are listed and explained in Reference Table TDBI. A person's own SSN will have a BIC code beginning with "A". If the SSA CLAIM NUM is the person's own SSN but there is a different SSN shown in either of the DUAL or TRIP Entitlement fields, workers will know that additional benefits are being received by that individual under the other SSN(s).

When a response is received and the CLAIM SSN and BIC in the SSA CLAIM NUM field on DXSA have been reviewed, workers should then note the Payment Status code. If it is an AD, it means 'Adjusted for Dual Entitlement' (see Reference Table TDBP for a complete list of payment status codes). Adjusted for dual entitlement means that the amount shown has already been included in the primary person's benefit amount and should not be added to it in order to determine amount of benefits received. The reason for this is that dual and triple entitlement benefits are usually combined with an individual's own benefit into one check by the Social Security Administration.

However, if different trust funds are involved (i.e., disability benefits and survivor benefits) separate checks will be issued. If the two payments are being treated separately by SSA, the Payment Status codes on each record will indicate the status for each record accordingly, and neither will be 'AD'.

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